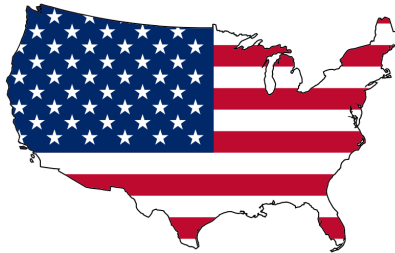


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Global articles for your interest
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After speaking with Egyptian President Mubarak, President Obama says a peaceful, meaningful and orderly political transition in Egypt “must begin now.” Obama says a new chapter is beginning in Egypt’s history and the United States has heard the voices of those calling for change. ...

2. [Obama, France's Sarkozy Discuss Global Economic Recovery](#)

President Obama and French President Nicolas Sarkozy meet in Washington to coordinate agendas in preparing for upcoming major economic summits that will address the continuing recovery from the recent recession. ...

3. [Obama and China's Hu Work Toward Greater Cooperation](#)

President Obama welcomes Chinese President Hu Jintao to the White House and calls for greater cooperation in security and economic relations, and also for greater respect in China for universal human rights. ...

4. [Mutual Respect Crucial For Religious Freedom](#)

In honor of Religious Freedom Day, the State Department’s Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, Hannah Rosenthal, and Special Representative to Muslim Communities Farah Pandith talked with America.gov about their work and the importance of promoting religious freedom and tolerance. ...

5. [Obama's Proclamation on African American History Month, 2011](#)

President Obama issues a proclamation on National African American History Month. ...

6. [Black History Month Honors Legacy of Struggle and Triumph](#)

Each February, Black History Month honors the struggles and triumphs of millions of American citizens over the most devastating obstacles — slavery, prejudice, poverty — as well as their contributions to the nation’s cultural and political life. ...

In case you missed it:

U.S. Embassy Macedonia [Facebook](#) page

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[Ambassador Commends New Shelter](#)

Ambassador Reeker joined The Minister of Labor for the opening of a new state-run shelter for trafficking victims. President Obama proclaimed January National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.



[Ambassador Reeker's Interview with A1](#)

The Ambassador discusses recent political events in Macedonia, highlighting the importance of Euro-Atlantic values, openness to constructive criticism and a vibrant civil society.

- ALSO: [video](#)



[State of the Union Address](#)

"The future is not a gift. It is an achievement." President Obama gave the annual State of the Union speech on Tuesday, Jan 25, 2011. In quoting Robert Kennedy, he underscored the challenge of building the future through innovation and economic growth.

- ALSO: [video](#)



President of Macedonia Visits Peace Corps

February 2, 2011: Dr. Gjorge Ivanov, president of the Republic of Macedonia, visited Peace Corps headquarters in Washington, D.C., to meet with Peace Corps Director Aaron S. Williams and discuss the successful partnership and community development initiatives between Peace Corps volunteers and the people of Macedonia. President Ivanov and Director Williams also announced that the Peace Corps ... [Welcome to the Peace Corps/Macedonia.](#) »



PAO Aggeler Speaks at Cancer Conference

Public Affairs Officer Angela Aggeler spoke at the Second Annual Conference on Cervical Cancer, part of NGO BORKA's public awareness campaign for Cervical Cancer Prevention Week. [\(LP\)](#) »



Combating Human Trafficking [Secretary Clinton: "An End to Human Trafficking". (pdf 199kb)]

The Embassy hosted a panel discussion at the American Corner in Skopje on Monday, January 18, to raise awareness for human trafficking. The panel was led by Embassy Officer David Reiter, Kiro Todorovski of the Ministry of Interior and Psychologist Sofija Arnaudova from the NGO "Happy Childhood." The discussion focused on the methods of trafficking and the dehumanization of its victims as ... [Combating Human Trafficking Factsheet. \[pdf 107kb\]](#) »



President Obama: Memorial in Arizona

January 12, 2011: The President speaks at a memorial event for the victims of the tragic shooting in Arizona, "Together We Thrive: Tucson and America." [video](#) »

The 2012 International Fulbright Science and Technology Program

The U.S. Embassy in Skopje is pleased to announce the opening of the worldwide competition for the FY 2012 International Fulbright Science and Technology Award for outstanding foreign students. ...

Ben Franklin Transatlantic Fellows 2011 Summer Institute: Call for Nominations

The U.S. Department of State is offering Scholarships for high school students from Macedonia to attend the 2011 Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Summer Institute.

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